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If you should have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Daniel M. Pauly, Esq. Merchant & Gould

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Tom Witty Quantech Ltd. 815 Northwest Boulevard St. Paul, MN 55121

Re: Withdrawal From Representation

Merchant & Gould Reference No.: 13207.000000WD

Dear Mr. Witty:

Due to the failure to pay on the balance in your account in a timely manner, the Credit and Collection Committee at Merchant & Gould has determined it necessary to terminate our representation of Quantech Ltd.

To facilitate the withdrawal of our representation, we have requested from the United States Patent and Trademark Office permission to withdraw as attorney of record. Enclosed please find copies of these requests. This filing with the United States Patent and Trademark Office will allow us to formally withdraw from representation. Once approval is received by Merchant & Gould, we will no longer be held responsible for your legal matters.

Also, I am transferring to you at this time your original files as listed herewith, and have not retained copies. These files will be removed from our docket system, and once the Patent & Trademark Office has granted the withdrawal, we understand that you will assume responsibility for all future docket dates. Enclosed is a current Docket Report detailing all outstanding due dates for the next one year period. We have removed these deadlines from our docket and annuity system. You are advised to immediately seek new counsel so as not to jeopardize your intellectual property portfolio. Failure to respond as required by the USPTO to future docket dates could result in the loss of your patent and/or trademark rights.

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- B. Numerous attempts have been made to collect the amounts due and owing, with no result.
- C. The foregoing reasons are believed to be valid grounds for permissive withdrawal under 37 C.F.R. §10.40(c)(iv) and/or (vi).

# ALLOWANCE OF TIME FOR CLIENT TO ACT

3. There are at least 30 days between the date of the application for withdrawal and any expiration date of a time period for response without a possible extension period.

### NOTIFICATION OF CLIENT

4. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §10.40(a), a copy of this request, including attachments, as well as all papers and property in the attorney's file concerning the prosecution of the application, have been delivered to the applicant.

### NUMBER OF COPIES OF REQUEST

5. A copy of this request is being forwarded to the client.

## SIGNATURE OF WITHDRAWING ATTORNEY

6. Signature of the attorney withdrawing:



Respectfully submitted By Attorney MERCHANT & GOULD, P.C. 3200 IDS Center Minneapolis, MN 55402-2215

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REQUEST FOR PERMISSION TO WITHDRAW AS ATTORNEY

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

I, Daniel M. Pauly, the attorney authorized to sign and is signing below on behalf of all attorneys identified by name in the Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney signed and submitted with the application listed herein, respectfully request permission to withdraw from all further responsibility in this case in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.36.

- 1. The last known mailing address of the client is: Tom Witty Quantech Ltd. 815 Northwest Boulevard St. Paul, MN 55121
- 2. The reasons for our request are as follows:
- A. The client has an outstanding balance on an unpaid bill and has refused to pay moneys due and owing for the drafting and prosecution of the application, including payments for legal fees and PTO fees. OFFICIAL

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